

City of Durham Keep Durham Beautiful

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Durham Offers Recycling Plant Tour January 15

Only 15 Spots Available on Bus Tour; Participants Must RSVP by January 11

DURHAM, N.C. – <u>Register now</u> to reserve your spot for a behind-the-scenes look at what happens once your recyclables are collected.

The <u>City of Durham Solid Waste Management Department</u> and <u>Keep Durham Beautiful (KDB)</u> are offering a free bus tour to the <u>Sonoco Recycling</u> facility in Raleigh on Friday, January 15. The bus tour will depart at 9 a.m. from the City's Solid Waste Management Department, located at 1833 Camden Avenue, and return to Durham around noon. Participants will receive a guided tour of Sonoco Recycling's state-of-the-art facility followed by a question-and-answer session with City staff and Sonoco representatives.

Only 15 seats are available on the bus tour and participants must be 12 years of age or older. Children under the age of 18 must also be accompanied by an adult and all participants must sign a waiver, arrive in closed-toe shoes, and wear safety glasses and vests that will be provided by Sonoco Recycling.

To reserve a seat on the bus tour, <u>register online</u> or contact KDB Executive Director Tania Dautlick by Monday, January 11 by <u>email</u> or (919) 354-2729. Participants should provide their name, phone number, and an email address. To learn more about recycling in Durham, visit the City's <u>website</u>.

About the City of Durham Solid Waste Management Department

The <u>Solid Waste Management Department</u> promotes and supports a high quality of life for the residents of Durham by providing comprehensive, responsive, environmentally-safe, efficient, and cost-effective solid waste collection, recycling, and disposal programs. Department services include roll-out cart collection, cart delivery and repair service, cardboard collection, yard waste collection, waste reduction and recycling, bulky item pick-up, and disposal services. The departmental supports the City's <u>Strategic Plan</u> by providing professional management that contributes to creating thriving, livable neighborhoods as well as an innovative and high-performing organization.

About Keep Durham Beautiful

Keep Durham Beautiful is a nonprofit, volunteer organization working in partnership with the City of Durham General Services Department and Durham County to encourage residents, businesses, and community organizations to protect the environment and enhance the appearance of Durham through cleanup events, beautification projects, waste reduction, and educational activities. To learn more, visit the website, like on Facebook, and follow on Instagram, flickr, and Twitter.

About Sonoco Recycling

A world leader in recycling, <u>Sonoco Recycling</u> collects more than 3.5 million tons of paper, plastic, metal and other materials annually. A unit of Sonoco, a multi-billion dollar global provider of consumer packaging, industrial products, and supply chain services, our recycling roots date back to the 1920s. Today, we operate more than 40 recycling facilities globally and help more than 15,000 retailers, manufacturers and communities save money, save resources and create clean, renewable energy.

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